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Client Matter No. 81848.0016.001

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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| Application of: LIU, Chih-Chien et al | Customer No.: 25235 |
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| Examiner: SERGENT, R.A. | |
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| For: HIGH DENSITY PLASMA CHEMICAL VAPOR DEPOSITION PROCESS | |

PETITION FOR 1-MONTH EXTENSION

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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

The undersigned hereby Petitions for a 1-month extension to extend the period for responding from the mailing date of the Advisory Action on November 7, 2003 to the 6-Month Statutory Period for Response on December 4, 2003.

A 1-month extension is all that is believed to be required because (1) the Final Office Action was mailed June 4, 2003, (2) a Response to the Final Office Action was timely filed by the 2-month date on August 4, 2003, and (3) an Advisory Action was not mailed until November 7, 2003, which was after the 3-month shortened statutory period for response. In accordance with MPEP § 706.07(f), which states "if the reply to a final rejection is filed within 2 months of the date of the final Office action, the shortened statutory period will expire at 3 months from the date of the final rejection or on the date the advisory action is mailed, whichever is later" we have measured the extension of time from a shortened statutory period of November 7, 2003.

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110.00 DP

The enclosed check for \$880.00 includes the \$110.00 1-month extension fee.
If any additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition
therefore and charge Deposit Account No. 50-1123 any additional fees.

Respectfully submitted,

November 19, 2003



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